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FOLLOWING REPEAT BANGKOK 15482 ACTIONSECSTATE DATED MAY 31, 1978.

QUOTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L

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SUBJECT: WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION (WMO): POTENTIAL

U S CANDIDATE FOR WMO SECRETARY GENERAL DR ROBERT M. WHITE

REF: STATE A-4947, DEC 13, 1977

1. IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY'S REPRESENTATION ON JANUARY 23, 1978,
IN SUPPORT OF DR ROBERT M. WHITE'S POTENTIAL CANDIDACY FOR
POSITION OF WMO SECRETARY GENERAL, RTG MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
HAS SENT DIPLOMATIC NOTE DATED MAY 24, 1978, WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS
TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND, WITH
REFERENCE TO THE EMBASSY'S AIDE-MEMOIRE DATED THE 23RD JANUARY
1978 REQUESTING THE SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND TO
THE CANDIDATURE OF DR ROBERT M. WHITE, FORMERLY HEAD OF THE
UNITED STATES NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION,
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PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZA-
TION AND MEMBER OF THE WMO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, FOR THE
SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION,
HAS THE HONOUR TO INFORM THE EMBASSY, IN REPLY, THAT IN VIEW OF
THE CLOSE AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS EXISTING BETWEEN THAILAND AND
THE UNITED STATES THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND IS PLEASED TO SUPPORT
THE UNITED STATES CANDIDATURE SHOULD DR DAVIES DECIDE TO RETIRE.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AVAILS ITSELF OF THE
OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.
END QUOTE.
WHITEHOUSE UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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